

Last Time: Row, Column, null spaces of matrix.

## LINEAR (OPERATORS) \*

NB: The textbook (Hoffman) calls these "Linear Transformations."

Defn: Let  $V$  be a vector space. A linear operator on

$V$  is a linear map  $L: V \rightarrow V$ .

i.e. a linear map w/  $\dim(L) = \text{cod}(L)$ .

Ex:  $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  w/  $L\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 3x - 5y + z \\ x \\ 4x - 5y + z \end{pmatrix}$  \*

Ex: The transpose is a linear operator on  $M_{n,n}(\mathbb{R})$ .

i.e. For square matrices.

↳ Sub Ex:  $T: M_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$  is an operator:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note: The transpose (as an operator) is an automorphism; i.e. a self-isomorphism.

Ex: On  $\mathcal{P}_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\frac{d}{dx} \leftarrow$  1<sup>st</sup> derivative operator  
is a linear operator! E.g.  $n=3$ :

$$\frac{d}{dx} [ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d] = 3ax^2 + 2bx + c$$

is a linear operator:  $\frac{d}{dx}[f + cg] = \frac{df}{dx} + c\frac{dg}{dx}$ .

Ex (Generalization of previous example): Let

(\*)  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}) = \{f : f \text{ has all derivatives, is a function on } \mathbb{R}\}$ .

Then  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$  is a vector space w/ the usual scalar mult and vect. add. for functions.

Then  $\boxed{\frac{d}{dx}}$  is a linear operator on  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$ .  $\therefore \nabla$

Defn: Let  $V$  be a vector space. an automorphism of  $V$  is a linear isomorphism  $L: V \rightarrow V$ .

Ex:  $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  w/  $L\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3x - y \\ x + y + z \\ 2x - 2y - 5z \end{pmatrix}$  is a linear isomorphism, and therefore is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Prop: Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional V.S. and  $L: V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator. The following are equivalent.

- ①  $\text{Ker}(L) = \{0_V\}$  (i.e.  $L$  is injective).
- ②  $\text{ran}(L) = V$  (i.e.  $L$  is surjective).
- ③  $L$  is an automorphism.

Point: To decide if a Linear operator is an automorphism, we need only check  $\text{Ker}(L) = \{0_V\}$ .

Ex:  $\mathcal{P}_3(\mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\frac{d}{dx}} \mathcal{P}_3(\mathbb{R})$  is NOT an automorphism...

B/C  $\frac{d}{dx}[1] = 0$ , but  $1 \neq 0$ . So,  $1 \in \text{Ker}(\frac{d}{dx})$ .

Ex: The transpose map  $T: M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  is an automorphism. Indeed, If  $M^T = O_V$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{cases} a=0 \\ c=0 \\ b=0 \\ d=0 \end{cases}, \text{ so } \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence  $\ker(T) = \{O_V\}$ , and  $T$  is an automorphism.  $\square$

Let's think about Linear Operators on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

In particular, suppose  $L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is an automorphism.

Claim:  $L$  has an inverse map,  $L^{-1}$ .

i.e. There is a linear map  $L^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

such that  $L \circ L^{-1} = \text{id}_{\mathbb{R}^n} = L^{-1} \circ L$ .

Recall: A linear map  $L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  has an associated matrix of transformation,  $[L]_{E_n}$ :

i.e. the matrix  $[L]_{E_n}$  has columns

the vectors  $L(e_1), L(e_2), \dots, L(e_n)$ .

Ex: Consider  $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  w/  $L \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x + y + z \\ 2y - 3z \\ x + 3y - 2z \end{pmatrix}$ .

Then  $L \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ . Note

$$L(e_1) = L\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & +0 & +0 \\ 2 \cdot 0 & -3 \cdot 0 \\ +3 \cdot 0 & -2 \cdot 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$L(e_2) = L\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } L(e_3) = L\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix},$$

so we have  $[L]_{E_n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = [L(e_1) \mid L(e_2) \mid L(e_3)]$

NB: This works because  $L(\vec{x}) = [L]_{E_n} \vec{x}$   $\checkmark$   $C_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $[L]_{E_n}$   
 $= \sum x_i \vec{C}_i$   $\checkmark$   $x_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  component of  $\vec{x}$ .

OTOH  $L(\vec{x}) = L(\sum x_i e_i) = \sum x_i L(e_i)$ .  $\square$

Claim: Given  $L$  an automorphism of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  
 we can compute  $L^{-1}$  via the following trick:

Observation 1:  $\underline{L(E_n)}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Observation 2: If  $L^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the inverse  
 of  $L$ , it must "undo" the transformation  
 on  $\underline{L(E_n)}$ ; i.e.  $L^{-1}(L(e_i)) = e_i$   $\checkmark$

So this defines a map from basis  $L(E_n)$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

By linearly extending this property, we obtain the  
 inverse map  $L^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Ex: Consider the map  $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by  

$$L\left(\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & +\frac{z}{2} \\ x & & \\ x+y & & +\frac{z}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xleftarrow{\text{row reduce to a matrix } [I_3 | M^{-1}]} M = [L]_{\mathcal{E}_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{swap } l_1, l_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{l_3 - l_1 \rightarrow l_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & | & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{l_3 - l_2 \rightarrow l_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & | & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{2}l_3 \rightarrow l_3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \\ & \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} l_1 - l_3 \rightarrow l_1 \\ l_2 - l_3 \rightarrow l_2 \end{matrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad \quad \quad I_3 \quad \quad \quad M^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  for  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  we see  $M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Claim  $M^{-1}$  is the matrix of transformation for  $L^{-1}$ .

To verify this:

for  $L\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right) = M\left[\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right]$ , we should have composition

$$L^{-1} \circ L = \text{id} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad M^{-1}\left(M\left[\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right]\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad (M^{-1} \cdot M)\left[\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}\right] = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad M^{-1} \cdot M = I_3$$

Verify:  $M^{-1}M = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 & -1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 & -1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 \\ 1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 1 & 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 & 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-1) + 1 \cdot 0 \\ 1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-1) & 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 + 1 \cdot (-1) & 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I_3 \quad \checkmark$$

Verify also  $M \cdot M^{-1} = I_3$  (b/c we need  $L \circ L^{-1} = \text{id}$ ).

↳ Exercise (check your matrix multiplication skills)...

Point: Computing inverse transformations of automorphisms  $L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  can be done in 2 stages:

- ① Compute the matrix of the operator  $M$ .
- ② Row reduce  $[M \mid I_n] \xrightarrow{*} [I_n \mid M^{-1}]$
- ③  $M^{-1}$  from step 2 is the matrix of transformation for  $L^{-1}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Remark:  $M^{-1}$  is the inverse matrix of  $M$ .

In particular, we defined (for an  $n \times n$  matrix):

$M^{-1}$  is the matrix of transformation of  $L^{-1}_M \dots$